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Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.0 million head on January 1, 2010. The inventory was two percent below January 1, 2009. The inventory included 6.88 million steers and steer calves, down three percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 62 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 4.07 million head, down one percent from 2009.

Placements in feedlots during December totaled 1.55 million, six percent below 2008. Net placements were 1.47 million head. During December, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 430,000, 600-699 pounds were 420,000, 700-799 pounds were 401,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 295,000. Marketings of fed cattle during December totaled 1.74 million, four percent above 2008. Other disappearance totaled 72,000 head during December, five percent below 2008.

Cattle On Feed, Number Placed on Feed by Weight Groups, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots—United States

Month	Year	Less than 600 lbs	600-699 lbs	700-799 lbs	800+ lbs	Total
		(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
December	2008	425	490	407	325	1,647
November	2009	510	565	*394	375	*1,844
December	2009	430	420	401	295	1,546

*Revised

Cattle and Calves on Feed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by State and United States

State	Number on feed December 1		Placed during December		Marketed during December		Other disappearance during December		Number on feed January 1	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2009	2010
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Arizona.....	359	282	29	32	29	25	1	1	358	288
California.....	495	465	59	63	60	59	4	4	490	465
Colorado	1,010	1,060	150	110	155	155	5	5	1,000	1,010
Idaho.....	225	*210	36	41	39	35	2	1	220	215
Iowa	500	560	66	85	64	73	2	2	500	570
Kansas	2,310	2,330	380	375	405	445	15	10	2,270	2,250
Nebraska.....	2,380	2,410	345	320	340	350	15	20	2,370	2,360
New Mexico.....	168	(D)	16	(D)	18	(D)	2	(D)	164	(D)
Oklahoma.....	335	375	49	50	46	58	3	2	335	365
South Dakota	220	235	38	38	37	36	1	2	220	235
Texas	2,810	2,760	405	350	405	410	20	20	2,790	2,680
Washington	169	172	28	29	38	34	2	1	157	166
Other States ¹	365	418	46	53	47	62	4	4	360	405
United States.....	11,346	*11,277	1,647	1,546	1,683	1,742	76	72	11,234	11,009

*Revised

D Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

¹ Other States include: Arizona, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, West Virginia, Wisconsin.

Chicken and Eggs

Florida

Table egg production in Florida during December 2009 was 237 million eggs, two percent above the previous month. Total egg production was 243 million eggs compared to 238 million eggs the previous month.

United States

U.S. egg production totaled 7.83 billion during December 2009, up one percent from last year. Production included 6.76 billion table eggs, and 1.07 billion hatching eggs, of which 995 million were broiler-type and 72 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during December 2009 averaged 340 million, down slightly from last year. December egg production per 100 layers was 2,304 eggs, up one percent from December 2009.

All layers in the U.S. on January 1, 2010, totaled 340 million, down slightly from last year. The 340 million layers consisted of 284 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 53.8 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.94 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on January 1, 2010, averaged 73.8 eggs per 100 layers, up one percent from January 1, 2009.

Mid-month Table Egg Prices Received by Florida Egg Producers.

Month	Cents per dozen	
	2008	2009
January	134.0	90.0
February	130.0	65.0
March	135.0	63.0
April	97.0	85.0
May	68.0	46.0
June	88.0	43.0
July	68.0	50.0
August	78.0	59.0
September	90.0	59.0
November	83.0	62.0
December	89.0	86.5

Percent of All Layers in Florida Being Molted and Molt Completed

	January 2009	December 2009	January 2010
Being molted ¹	4.5	2.0	9.0
Molt completed ¹	37.5	34.0	31.5

¹ As of first of month.

Layers and Egg Production for Selected States and United States: December 2009

Selected States	Average layers on hand	Eggs per 100 layers	Egg production				Layers ¹	
			Total	Table	Hatching	Year to date ¹	Being molted	Molt Completed
	(1,000)	(number)	(millions)	(millions)	(millions)	(millions)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	9,133	1,938	177	30	147	177	0.5	8.0
Arkansas	12,226	2,028	248	81	167	248	1.0	10.0
California	19,438	2,356	458			458	4.5	31.0
Florida	10,127	2,400	243	237	6	243	9.0	31.5
Georgia	17,817	2,195	391	223	168	391	1.5	17.0
Indiana	23,539	2,362	556	544	12	556	3.0	34.0
Iowa	54,354	2,296	1,248	1,235	13	1,248	3.0	29.0
Maine	3,763	2,365	89			89	0.0	0.0
Maryland	2,292	2,225	51	50	1	51	0.0	7.5
Michigan	10,232	2,404	246			246	5.0	21.0
Minnesota	10,331	2,362	244	235	9	244	2.0	24.0
Mississippi	6,115	2,028	124	38	86	124	2.0	9.0
Missouri	7,029	2,333	164			164	3.5	18.5
Nebraska	9,505	2,441	232	232	0	232	0.0	2.5
New York	3,976	2,465	98			98	2.5	7.0
North Carolina	13,226	2,132	282	149	133	282	2.0	7.0
Ohio	27,508	2,341	644			644	2.5	20.5
Pennsylvania	23,546	2,480	584	564	20	584	2.5	12.0
South Carolina	4,480	2,165	97	75	22	97	2.0	19.5
Texas	17,998	2,328	419			419	1.0	17.5
Virginia	3,281	2,133	70	31		70	0.0	15.5
Washington	6,264	2,411	151			151	3.5	29.5
Other States ²	43,864	2,188	1,015	3,039	283	1,015	1.9	17.4
United States ³	339,882	2,304	7,831	6,763	1,067	7,831	2.7	20.7

¹ As of January 1, 2010.

² Other States include: Arizona, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, West Virginia, Wisconsin.

³ Production year begins December 1.

Hatchery Production

Florida

The December hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 4.81 million, was two percent above a year earlier. Broiler-type eggs in incubators on January 1, at 3.76 million, was 22 percent above a year ago.

United States

Broiler-type chicks hatched during December 2009 totaled 778 million, down slightly from December 2008. Eggs in incubators totaled 633 million on January 1, 2010, up slightly from a year earlier.

Leading breeders placed 6.66 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during December 2009, up one percent from December 2008.

Egg-type chicks hatched during December 2009 totaled 39.7 million, up seven percent from December 2008. Eggs in incubators totaled 38.9 million on January 1, 2010, up six percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 309 thousand during December 2009, up 55 percent from December 2008.

Hatchery Production - United States

Item	2009	2010	2010 % of 2009
	(1,000)	(1,000)	
Egg-Type			
Eggs in incubators: January 1	36,665	38,929	106
Chicks hatched during December.....	37,091	39,655	107
Pullets hatched during December for intended placements in hatchery supply flocks	199	309	155
7-18 months earlier ¹	2,976	3,108	104
Broiler-Type			
Eggs in incubators: January 1	630,209	632,926	100
Chicks hatched during December.....	779,304	778,372	100
Pullets hatched during December for intended placements in hatchery supply flocks	6,580	6,656	101
7-15 months earlier ²	66,144	62,374	94

¹ 2010 includes pullet chicks hatched June 2008 through May 2009.

² 2009 includes pullet chicks hatched Sep 2008 through May 2009.

Milk Production

Florida dairy farms produced 175 million pounds of milk during December 2009, two percent below the previous December. Production per cow in December of 1,565 pounds was three percent above December of last year. Milk cow numbers on Florida dairy farms in December totaled 112 thousand, five percent below last year.

United States

Milk production in the 23 major States during December totaled 14.6 billion pounds, down 0.8 percent from December 2008. November revised production at 14.0 billion pounds, was down 0.8 percent from November 2008. The November revision represented an increase of 24 million pounds or 0.2 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,758 pounds for December, 29 pounds above December 2008. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.31 million head, 206,000 head less than December 2008, and unchanged from November 2009.

Milk Cows and Production - Florida and United States

Month and year *	Milk Cows ¹	Monthly milk Production ²	
		Per cow	Monthly Total
	(1,000)	(pounds)	(million pounds)
Florida			
December 2008.....	118	1,520	179
November 2009.....	113	1,360	154
December 2009.....	112	1,565	175
23 Major States			
December 2008.....	8,519	1,729	14,728
November 2009.....	8,313	1,682	13,979
December 2009.....	8,313	1,758	14,614
United States			
December 2008.....	9,334	1,703	15,900
November 2009.....	9,085	1,659	15,070
December 2009.....	9,082	1,735	15,756

* November 2009 Revised.

¹ Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk fed to calves.

Milk Production by Quarters - United States

Month	Milk cows ¹		Milk per cow ²		Milk Production ²	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)
January- March	9,286	9,295	5,127	5,096	47,610	47,363
April-June	9,315	9,260	5,236	5,278	48,774	48,874
July- September....	9,330	9,159	5,025	5,108	46,881	46,782
October- December.....	9,330	9,087	5,008	5,089	46,727	46,240
Annual Total	9,315	9,200	20,396	20,572	189,992	189,259

¹ Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk fed to calves.

Livestock Slaughter

Commercial red meat production in Florida for December 2009 was 9.3 million pounds, 21 percent above the same month last year. Commercial production of red meat in the United States for December, at 4.15 billion pounds was slightly below December 2008.

Commercial Slaughter and Red Meat Production - Florida and United States

Source and kind	December 2008	November 2009	December 2009	Year to date 2008	Year to date 2009
Florida					
Hogs:					
Head slaughtered 1,000 head	6.0	8.5	8.0	82.7	82.4
Total liveweight 1,000 pounds	967	1,223	1,160	11,165	11,810
Sheep and Lambs:					
Head slaughtered 1,000 head	0.3	0.3	0.2	3.1	3.7
Total liveweight 1,000 pounds	19	22	12	183	197
Red meat production ¹ million pounds	7.7	8.2	9.3	99.6	103.2
United States					
Cattle:					
Head slaughtered 1,000 head	2,671.5	*2,599.4	2,752.8	34,364.9	33,333.4
Total liveweight million pounds	3,468	3,363	3,556	43,893	42,961
Average liveweight pounds	1,303	1,298	1,296	1,282	1,293
Beef production million pounds	2,082.0	2,015.3	2,133.5	25,560.7	25,962.5
Calves:					
Head slaughtered 1,000 head	94.1	81.2	92.3	956.6	943.8
Total liveweight million pounds	23	20	22	243	234
Average liveweight pounds	245	246	240	257	250
Veal production million pounds	13.3	11.8	13.1	143.1	138.3
Hogs:					
Head slaughtered 1,000 head	10,144.9	9,460.5	9,832.9	116,451.9	113,583.5
Total liveweight million pounds	2,740	2,573	2,654	31,198	30,715
Average liveweight pounds	270	272	270	268	271
Pork production million pounds	2,052.1	1,921.4	1,985.0	23,347.0	22,992.6
Sheep and Lambs:					
Head slaughtered 1,000 head	230.9	219.2	235.3	2,555.5	2,517.3
Total liveweight million pounds	31	29	32	348	348
Lamb and Mutton million pounds	15.4	14.4	15.9	173.8	170.9
Red meat production ¹ million pounds	4,162.8	*3,962.9	4,147.5	50,224.6	49,264.4

* Revised.

¹ Includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb, and mutton.